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On May 8, POLOFF thanked MFA IO Director Peralta for Paraguay's participation in the negotiations of the 2005 Protocols to the UN Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (SUA). In addition, POLOFF conveyed the importance of the GOP signing and ratifying the protocols as quickly as possible. Peralta noted that he was still awaiting a response from the equivalent of Paraguay's Coast Guard on this issue. He would check with them for their position and report back to POLOFF once he had further information. Post will follow-up with Peralta and report any substantive response as it becomes available. CASON